

IN THE CLAIMS:

Substitute the following claims for the currently pending claims:

1-19. (canceled)

20. (original) A method of forming a sealed wellbore intersection in a subterranean well, the method comprising the steps of:

drilling a first wellbore;

underreaming the first wellbore, thereby forming a radially enlarged cavity;

positioning an expandable wellbore junction within the cavity;

expanding the wellbore junction within the cavity;

forcing a drift through at least one of multiple tubular legs of the wellbore junction;

cementing the wellbore junction within the cavity;

drilling a second wellbore through a first one of the tubular legs of the wellbore junction; and

drilling a third wellbore through a second one of the tubular legs of the wellbore junction.

21. (original) The method according to Claim 20, further comprising the step of installing a tubular string in the first wellbore after the first wellbore drilling step, and wherein the expandable wellbore junction positioning step further comprises attaching the wellbore junction to the tubular string.

22. (original) The method according to Claim 21, wherein the attaching step further comprises securing the wellbore junction so that in the expanding step the

second tubular leg is directed toward a desired orientation for drilling the third wellbore.

23. (original) The method according to Claim 20, wherein the positioning step further comprises installing the wellbore junction within the cavity as part of a junction assembly including an orienting latch profile.

24. (original) The method according to Claim 23, wherein in the installing step, the orienting latch profile is positioned between the wellbore junction and the tubular string.

25. (original) The method according to Claim 23, wherein in the installing step, the wellbore junction is positioned between the orienting latch profile and the tubular string.

26. (original) The method according to Claim 23, wherein the drift forcing step further comprises positioning a drifting apparatus within the junction assembly, and engaging the drifting apparatus with the orienting latch profile, thereby securing the drifting apparatus within the junction assembly and radially orienting the drifting apparatus relative to the junction assembly.

27. (original) The method according to Claim 26, wherein the drifting apparatus engaging step further comprises radially orienting a deflection device relative to the junction assembly, so that the drift is directed to extend toward the second tubular leg of the wellbore junction.

28. (original) The method according to Claim 23, wherein the second wellbore drilling step further comprises engaging a whipstock with the orienting latch profile, thereby radially orienting the whipstock relative to the wellbore junction.

29. (original) The method according to Claim 20, wherein the positioning step further comprises installing the wellbore junction within the cavity as part of a junction assembly including a cementing device for flowing cement outward into the cavity.

30. (original) The method according to Claim 29, wherein in the positioning step the cementing device is attached to the first tubular leg outwardly disposed relative to an intersection between the first and second tubular legs.

31. (original) The method according to Claim 29, wherein the cementing step further comprises positioning a tubular string within the junction assembly, connecting the tubular string to the cementing device, and flowing cement through the tubular string and outward through the cementing device.

32. (original) The method according to Claim 31, wherein the connecting step further comprises sealingly engaging the tubular string with the junction assembly.

33. (original) The method according to Claim 29, wherein the cementing step further comprises opening a valve within the cementing device to thereby permit cement flow through the cementing device.

34. (original) The method according to Claim 33, wherein in the expanding step the cementing device valve is closed, thereby permitting creation of a pressure differential between an interior and exterior of the junction assembly.

35. (original) The method according to Claim 20, wherein the drift forcing step further comprises installing a drifting apparatus in the wellbore junction.

36. (original) The method according to Claim 35, wherein the drift forcing step further comprises applying pressure to the drifting apparatus to thereby force the drift to displace within at least one of the tubular legs of the wellbore junction.

37. (original) The method according to Claim 36, wherein the applying pressure step further comprises displacing a piston, thereby causing displacement of the drift.

38. (original) The method according to Claim 36, wherein the applying pressure step further comprises outwardly extending a gripping structure, thereby anchoring the drifting apparatus relative to the wellbore junction.

39. (original) The method according to Claim 35, wherein the installing step further comprises engaging the drifting apparatus with an orienting latch profile attached to the wellbore junction, thereby radially orienting the drifting apparatus relative to the wellbore junction.

40. (original) The method according to Claim 39, wherein the installing step further comprises installing a deflection device in the wellbore junction, and wherein the radially orienting step further comprises radially orienting the deflection device relative to the wellbore junction.

41. (original) The method according to Claim 35, wherein the installing step further comprises installing a deflection device in the wellbore junction, and wherein the drift forcing step further comprises deflecting the drift off of the deflection device.

42. (original) The method according to Claim 41, wherein the installing step further comprises installing the drifting apparatus and deflection device in the wellbore junction in a single trip into the well.

43. (original) The method according to Claim 41, wherein the installing step further comprises conveying the deflection device into the wellbore junction attached to the drifting apparatus.

44. (original) The method according to Claim 43, wherein the installing step further comprises engaging an orienting profile, thereby radially orienting both the drifting apparatus and the deflection device relative to the wellbore junction.

45. (original) The method according to Claim 44, wherein the installing step further comprises securing the deflection device relative to the wellbore junction, and then anchoring the drifting apparatus relative to the wellbore junction.

46. (original) The method according to Claim 45, wherein the installing step further comprises detaching the deflection device from the drifting apparatus after the deflection device securing step and prior to the drifting apparatus anchoring step.

47. (original) The method according to Claim 46, wherein the detaching step is performed by applying pressure to the drifting apparatus.

48. (original) The method according to Claim 45, wherein the anchoring step is performed by outwardly extending a gripping structure from the drifting apparatus.

49. (original) The method according to Claim 20 further comprising the step of retrieving a deflection device from within the wellbore junction by engaging an enlarged shoulder attached to the drift with a shoulder attached to the deflection device.

50-90. (canceled)